

REMARKS

The amendment made in this Preliminary Amendment is solely to correct the redundant claim for priority to comport with the Application Data Sheet and filing receipt. No other changes were made to the application and no new material was added.

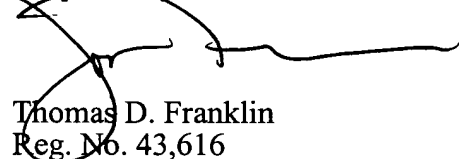
Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made."

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 303-571-4000.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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**VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

This application claims priority from U.S. Provisional Application No. [09/190,867]  
60/190,867 filed on March 21, 2000 which is incorporated by reference herein.

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